

Case Study: How Our Houston Law Firm Recovered Stolen Cryptocurrency for a Texas Family

After a Texas man was killed in a car crash in 2023, his family began the painful process of settling his affairs. They soon learned he had quietly amassed a large cryptocurrency portfolio, one worth hundreds of thousands of dollars.

While the family searched for access to his accounts, several of the deceased's friends offered to "help." What seemed like a kind offer in a time of tremendous distress was the first step in a well-planned and executed theft of opportunity.

With Friends Like These

The friends accessed the deceased's phone, retrieved his crypto holdings, and transferred the assets into their own wallets. When the family requested the funds, the friends denied finding anything at all, feigned confusion about how any crypto could have been moved at all, then pretended to be willing to return it. They provided fake seed phrases and even handed over a phony Ledger in a deliberate attempt to mislead the family.

When Prior Counsel Refused to Act

The family did everything right. They retained legal counsel and had an estate administrator appointed. Both were told about the missing cryptocurrency. But instead of taking action, the prior law firm and administrator refused to pursue the stolen crypto, dismissing it as too technical and outside their scope. When prior counsel finally made an effort to recover what rightfully belonged to the family, precisely nothing happened.

That's when the family turned to us.

Our Firm's Approach: Legal Action, Immediately

When Berg PC, a Houston-based law firm experienced in cryptocurrency recovery, was hired, we moved immediately.

We went immediately to court and obtained an order authorizing the family to take custody of all assets belonging to their loved one, including all cryptocurrency:

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IN THE PROBATE COURT

TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS

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TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS

ORDER APPOINTING SUCCESSOR INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATOR

On this day came on to be heard the Application for Appointment of Successor Independent Executor (the "Application") filed by [REDACTED] applicant ("Applicant") in the estate (the "Estate") of [REDACTED] deceased ("Decedent").

The Court, having heard the evidence and the other documents filed herein, finds that it has continuing jurisdiction and venue over this proceeding; that notice and citation have been given in the manner and for the length of time required by law; that [REDACTED] the current Independent Administrator of the Estate has resigned; that a necessity exists for the continued administration of this Estate; that [REDACTED] should be appointed as successor independent administrator without the requirement of bond; and that [REDACTED] is qualified and not disqualified by law to serve and is entitled to Letters of Independent Administration. It is therefore,

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the resignation of [REDACTED] Independent Administrator of the Estate of [REDACTED] Deceased, is accepted and [REDACTED] is appointed Successor Independent Administrator without bond of the Estate of [REDACTED] Deceased, and that Letters of Independent Administration be granted to [REDACTED] upon taking her oath as required by law. No other action shall be had in this Court other than the return of an Inventory, Appraisalment, and List of Claims as required by law.

It is further ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that all Letters previously issued to [REDACTED] as Independent Administrator of the Estate of [REDACTED] Deceased, are hereby revoked.

SIGNED this [REDACTED] day of [REDACTED], 2025.

[Handwritten Signature]
JUDGE PRESIDING



The Result: Complete and Immediate Recovery

The result was decisive.

The family recovered not only the stolen crypto they knew about, but additional assets the thieves had taken without the family even knowing. All of it – the Bitcoin, the Ethereum and the other assets we found, worth nearly \$500,000 at the time, was recovered and delivered to the family.

Cryptocurrency Theft Is Real—and Recoverable

Digital assets are just that: assets. They can be stolen, misused, or concealed like any other property. As cryptocurrency becomes mainstream, more estates, businesses, and individuals find themselves victims of digital theft.

Many believe that because crypto lives on the blockchain, it's impossible to recover. It isn't.

With the right legal strategy, technical knowledge, and courtroom experience, stolen crypto *can* be traced and recovered. That's what we do.

Why Houston Clients Choose Berg PC

Berg PC is based in Houston, but we are a national cryptocurrency firm. Individuals and businesses choose us because we have

- Deep crypto-asset recovery experience in both state and federal courts
- Technical fluency in blockchain tracing, wallets, and key-recovery processes
- Aggressive, results-oriented litigation strategy honed over decades of experience
- Rapid response: we act the moment we're retained

What's too complicated or too technical for other firms is right up our alley.

If You've Been the Victim of Cryptocurrency Theft—We Can Help

Whether your crypto was stolen by a hacker, a business partner, or someone you trusted, don't assume it's gone for good.

Our cryptocurrency recovery lawyers may be able to help.